ANNUAL SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT REVIEW for the period January 1st to December 31st, 2006

Municipality: West Bath Date: 02/15/07

The Shellfish Conservation Committee submits the following information in partial fulfillment of its responsibilities under Chapter 7 of the Department of Marine Resources Regulations and the Shellfish Conservation Ordinance of this municipality.

Shellfish Conservation Ordinance of this municipality.
Statement of Management Goals and Implementation Actions
The goals of shellfish management for this municipality have been: (check only one of each pair)
 [] provide a harvesting opportunity for the maximum number of participants [X] maximize individual harvest by minimizing the number of participants [X] increase the clam resource through various enhancement activities [] maintain a sustainable yield through the vigorous use of production controls [] provide for recreational harvesting in preference to commercial harvesting [X] provide for commercial harvesting in preference to recreational harvesting [X] maximize the economic value of the resource by adjusting production [] maintain a constant production to provide a steady but variable income
The following management controls were utilized: (check all that apply)
 [X] limit the number of commercial harvesters [] limit the number of recreational harvesters [] restrict times of harvest [X] restrict the areas of harvest [] limit the amount of commercial harvest [X] limit the amount of recreational harvest [] other:
The following management activities were undertaken: (check all that apply)
 [] predator protection through fencing, netting, trapping and etc. [X] reseeding from high density areas or seeding with hatchery stock [X] flat surveys to determine size distribution and density [] harvester surveys to obtain catch and effort data [X] enhance natural seeding through brushing, roughing and etc. [X] establishing conservation areas for flat rotation [] other:

Shellfish Committee/Staff

Title	Name	Mailing Address	Telephone
Chair	Mark Nelson	127 Hill Rd, West Bath, 04530	443-3631
Vice Chair	James Hennessey	62 Hennessey Rd, West Bath, 04530	unlisted
Secretary	Wayne Renshaw	314 Houghton Pond Rd, West Bath, 04530	442-0468
Member(s)	Shawn Schutt	42 Rosedale Rd, West Bath, 04530	unlisted
	Paul Mateosian	54 Harbor Ridge Rd, West Bath, 04530	443-8019
	Roger McNelly	81 Sanford Crossing Rd, West Bath, 04530	443-3773
	Warren Swanson	124 Bull Rock Rd, West Bath, 04530	443-4068
Selectmen/ Council Rep.	David Bourget	166 Happy Nook Rd, West Bath, 04530	442-7477
Wardens	Douglas Alexander	24 Richardson Dr, Phippsburg, 04562	443-3114
WQSpec(s)			

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Committee Meetings

The Shellfish Committee holds regularly scheduled meetings: $[X]$ yes $[$] no	
The following number of meetings was held during the past year: <u>8</u>		
Minutes of meetings are recorded, filed and are available upon request:	[<i>X</i>] yes	[] no

Conservation Credit					
The opportunity to obtain conse	rvation credit is provided: [X	X] yes [] no			
The total number of conservation	n hours needed to obtain cr	redit is <u>12</u> .			
Conservation credit is required t	o obtain a: [X] renewal lice	nse			
	[X] new license				
Conservation hours are given for	or:				
[X] meeting attendance[] committee service[X] educational activities	[X] coastal cleanup[X] surveys[X] reseeding	[X] brushing[] predator control[X] other			

If conservation credit is not provided, the total number of volunteer man-hours documented for management activities during the past year is

Summary of Warden Activities

Hours Patrolled: 487
Diggers Checked: 512
Warnings Given: 2
Summon Issued: 1
Court Appearances: 0
Convictions: 1

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The warden is provided with a written job description: [X] yes [] no

Production Data Collected by the Warden

Month	Avg. Daily Catch/Digger	_	Avg. # of Diggers/Day	_	Total # of Days Dug		Total Lbs [] or Bu [<i>x</i>]
lanuany	1 5	Χ	2	Х	01		120 F
January	1.5	_ ^	3	_ ^	31	_ =	139.5
February	1.5	_	3		28		126.0
March	1.5		3		31		139.5
April	2		4		31		248.0
May	2		4		24c		192.0
June	3		5		29c		435.0
July	4		6		31		744.0
August	4		6		31		744.0
September	3		5		30		450.0
October	2.5		4		30c		300.0
November	2.5		4		31		310.0
December	1.5		2		31		93.0
		_			TOTAL	 L	3,921.0

Warden(s)	Training Date	Nomination Date
Douglas Alexander	04/26/2005	07/01/2005

Shellfish Conservation Budget

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License Receipts	Allocation	Sold	Received
Commercial			
Resident	20	20	\$4000
Nonresident	3	3	\$1,200
Senior Resident	-	-	\$0
Senior Nonresident	-	-	\$0
Junior/Student Resident	3	3	\$300
Junior/Student Nonresident	-	-	\$0
Other:	-	-	\$0
Recreational			
Resident	NL	70	\$1,140
Nonresident	10%	7	\$210
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Res.	-	-	\$0
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Nonres.	-	-	\$0
Senior Resident	-	-	\$0
Senior Nonresident	-	-	\$0
Junior/Student Resident	-	-	\$0
Junior/Student Nonresident	-	-	\$0
Other:	-	-	\$0
SUBTOTAL (1)			\$6,850
Receipts Independent of License Fees	;		
Shellfish Conservation Account Carr	ied Forward		\$19,350.11
Funds Raised for Warden			\$0
Funds Raised for Management Activ	ities		\$0
Fines			\$0
Other			\$0
SUBTOTAL (2)			\$19,350.11
TOTAL Receipts (1+2)			\$26,200.11
Disbursements			•
Warden Salary			\$6,319.40
Mileage			\$2,641.82
Clothing			\$33.32
Equipment			\$0
Training			\$0
SUBTOTAL (3)			\$8,994.54
Advertising			\$265.86
Supplies	\$26.18		
Surveys			\$0
Seeding			\$0
Miscellaneous	\$0		
SUBTOTAL (4)			\$292.04
TOTAL Disbursements (3+4)			\$9,286.58

Management Activities by Flat

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The following is a list of clam harvest areas in which management activities were conducted during the past year and the <u>dates</u> when they occurred. [] No activities were conducted.

Harvest Area	Clam Survey	Seed/ Reseed	Predator Control	Brushing/ Roughing	Conservation Closure
Dam Cove		5/19		5/19	
Duttons Cove		5/20			
Back Cove	10/8				
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Proposed Management Controls

Municipality: <u>Brunswick</u>

The following management controls will be utilized for the coming year: (check all that apply)

[X] limit the number of commercial harvesters
[X] limit the number of recreational harvesters
[X] restrict times of harvest
[X] restrict the areas of harvest
[] limit the amount of commercial harvest
[X] limit the amount of recreational harvest
[] other:

Proposed Shellfish Licenses

<u>License</u>	<u>Number</u>	Cost @
Commercial		
Resident	51	\$200
Nonresident	6	\$200
Senior Resident	_	
Senior Nonresident	_	
Junior/Student Resident		\$
Junior/Student Nonresident	_	
Other:	_	
Recreational		
Resident	100	<i>\$15</i>
Nonresident	10	\$30
Daily/Weekly Monthly Res.	_	<i>\$0</i>
Daily/Weekly Monthly Nonres.	_	
Senior Resident		\$
Senior Nonresident	_	<i>\$0</i>
Junior/Student Resident		\$
Junior/Student Nonresident	-	\$0
Other:		<i>\$0</i>

License number determina	ation is based upon:	[X] calculation using survey data[] survey data as a guide[] harvester input[] need/demand
The above numbers are:		
	[] tentative, the ac	tual numbers to be determined later
	[X] firm, have been	or will be submitted to DMR

Proposed Management Activities

Municipality: West Bath

apply)	Ü			· ·		
[] [] [] []	X] reseeding X] flat surve] harvester X] enhance	g from high dens ys to determine surveys to obta	sity areas or waize distribution in catch and through brush	effort data hing, roughing ar	k	
In order apply)	to impleme	nt these manage	ement activiti	es the committee	will utilize: (check al	l that
- ()]]	X] harvester] paid harv	esters I employees	nservation cr	edit		
To provi	ide a forum	for harvester inp	out in manage	ement planning, t	he shellfish committe	e plans to
meet.]]]] annually] biannually] quarterly] bimonthly (] monthly			
Meeting	notification	for other than re	egularly sche	duled meetings is	s by:	
[2	x] mailing	[X] phone call	[X] posting	[X] newspaper	[X] word of mouth	
In order committ		DMR informed	and to solicit	advice on manaç	gement activities, the	shellfish
		[] request the [] invite the ar	area biologis ea biologist to	t to participate in t to participate in attend all meeti attend only spe	only specific meeting	js

The following management activities will be undertaken during the coming year: (check all that

Proposed Activities by Flat

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The following is a list of clam harvest areas in which management activities are planned for the coming year and the probable dates the activities would occur.

1 No activities are planned.	1 No specific activities are planned as ye	ŧ.

Harvest Area	Clam Survey	Seed/ Reseed	Predator Control	Brushing/ Roughing	Conservation Closure
Fourniers		Apr/May		Apr/May	
Long Cove	Fall	Apr/May		Apr/May	
Browns	Fall				
Men's Club	Fall				

Summary of Clam Flat Survey Data

Municipality: West Bath

The following is a list of surveys conducted during the past year. Survey data should be attached if not previously provided to DMR. [] No surveys were conducted.

Clam Flat	Survey Date	Acreage	Density (bu/a)	Standing Crop (bu.)	%>2" by vol.
Back Cove	10/8	38.6	129.9	4,861	73%

The flats surveyed represent approximately <u>35</u>% of the total productive flats.

Summary of Transplant Activities

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The following seeding / reseeding activities were conducted during the past year.

[] No seeding / reseeding activities were conducted.

	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4
Date	05/19	05/20		
Supervisor	Chair Mark Nelson	Member Roger McNelly		
Crew #	18	13		
Amount	21	16		
Mean Size (in.)	0.75	0.75		
Size Range (in.)	0.25 to 1	0.25 to 1		
Source				
Source Flat	The Gutway - N	Outer flats - Kissers Cove		
Receiv. Flat	Dam Cove	Duttons Cove		
Netted (y/n)	N	N		
Closed until	Indefinately	Not Closed		

	Event 5	Event 6	Event 7	Event 8
Date				
Supervisor				
Crew #				
Amount				
Mean Size				
Size Range				
Source				
Source Flat				
Receiv. Flat				
Netted (y/n)				
Closed until				

Summary of Conservation Closures

Municipality: West Bath

The following is a list of conservation closures implemented or in effect during the past year. (This table is for areas normally open.) [] No conservation areas were closed.

Conservation Area	Acreage	Closing Date	Opening Date	Days Closed*	Reason
Dam Cove	10	4/30	n/a	240	Over dug.

*during 2006

Summary of Conservation Openings

The following is a list of conservation openings implemented or in effect during the past year. (This table is for areas normally closed.) [X] No conservation areas were opened.

Conservation Area	Acreage	Opening Date	Closing Date	Days Open*	Reason

*during 2006

Additional Activities

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Spatfall Enhancement

The following is a list of activities to promote clam settlement such as brushing, flat roughing, tenting or netting. [] No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description
Dam Cove	5/19	Flat Roughing

Predator Protection

The following is a list of activities to protect clams from predators such as trapping, netting and hand collecting. [x] No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description

Other Activities

The following is a list of other activities that benefit, directly or indirectly, the management program such as educational projects, participation in regional councils and shoreline cleanup.

[] No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description
Landing Repair	7/13	Landing needed 1 yard of reclaim
Area Clean-up	9/16	Mountain Road access to Back Cove